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NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED.

SUMMARY: (C NF) THIS IS A STONY BEACH REPORT. IT PROVIDES INFORMATION OF TWO MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS; FIRST, CONCERNING AMERICAN POWS ALLEGEDLY BEING MOVED TO A LOCATION IN SOUTHERN VIETNAM, AND DETAILS CONCERNING THE ALLEGED TRANSFER OF PATRIOT MISSILE TECHNOLOGY BY THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT TO THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA THROUGH THE ISRAELI CONSULATE IN HONG KONG BEGINNING IN 1987.

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- 1. (CMF) ON THE PW-MIA ISSUE, SOURCE ALLEGES THAT APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO, ELEVEN FOREIGNERS (U.S. POWS) AND ONE CIVILIAN WERE MOVED TO A LOCATION VICINITY OF RACH GIA (CA MAU PENINSULA IN SOUTHERN VIETNAM) FROM UNNAMED LOCATIONS IN VIETNAM. THE LOCATION NEAR RACH GIA WHERE THE POWS ARE ALLEGEDLY BEING KEPT IS IN A FORMER ARVN BASIC COMBAT TRAINING CENTER WHICH CONTAINS AN ISOLATION COMPOUND. SOURCE WAS UNWILLING TO STATE THE EXACT SOURCE OF HIS INFORMATION BUT WOULD ONLY SAY THAT A MEMBER OF HIS COMMERCIAL COMPANY RECEIVED THE AFOREMENTIONED INFORMATION FROM "ONE OF THE FOUR TOP PEOPLE IN THE SRV GOVERNMENT."
- 2. (C NF) CONCERNING THE ALLEGED TRANSFER OF PATRIOT MISSILE TECHNOLOGY BY THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT TO THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA, SOURCE HAD VERY SPECIFIC DETAILS INCLUDING BOTH NAMES, DATES AND ORGANIZATIONS. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SOURCE TO RO INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:
- A. (C/MF) SOURCE STATED THAT ORIGINAL RATIONALE FOR THE TRANSFER OF PATRIOT MISSILE TECHNOLOGY BY THE ISRAELIS TO THE CHINESE WAS TO GAIN TRADE RIGHTS (FOR ISRAEL TO TRADE WITH THE PRC) IN RETURN FOR

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### TECHNOLOGY.

- E. (CNF) THE TRANSFER BEGAN BASED MAINLY UPON THE TRANSFER OF A LARGE NUMBER (NFI) OF PATRIOT MISSILE TECHNICAL MANUALS TO THE CHINESE BY ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OFFICEALS. THIS PROCESS WAS LATER EXPANDED TO OTHER AREAS (NFI) BEYOND JUST TECHNICAL MANUALS FOR THE PATRIOT. THE ORIGINAL TRANSFER ALLEGEDLY BEGAN IN 1987 AND CONTINUED FOR SEVERAL YEARS (NFI).
- C. (CANF) THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL WHO ORIGINALLY BROKERED THE ENTIRE DEAL HAS AN ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL NAMED REVIVEN MERHAN WHO SERVED AS THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT CONSUL GENERAL IN CHARGE OF THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT CONSULANT IN HONG KONG.
- D. (CONF) OTHER ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHO ASSISTED IN THE TRANSFER OF PATRIOT MISSILE TECHNOLOGY TO THE CHINESE INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:
- (1) COL ZVI REUTER, WHO WAS THEN SERVING AS THE DIRECTOR OF FODADE (THE ISRAELI MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OFFICE FOR DEFENCE ASSISTANCE AND DEFENCE EXPORT). HIS OFFICE ADDRESS IN <u>ISRAEL</u> WAS HAKIRYA, TEL AVIV, 61909, <u>ISRAEL</u>. TELEPHONE NUMBER 20 55 85. TELEX NUMBER 361203.
- (2) DR. EZENL BENSIRA, MOSSAD OFFICIAL. THEN SERVING AS A POLITICAL MILITARY SPECIALIST BASED IN <u>ISRAEL</u>.
- (3) HAIM GANG, ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL THEN BASED IN THE ISRAELI EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, DC.
- (4) MR. DAVID SWIHART, MARKETING DIRECTOR, DUNON AND SON LTD. ADDRESS: METRO MANILA. TELEPHONE NUMBER 816-86-88. TELEX NUMBER 23312 RHPPH.

COMMENTS: (CMF) CONCERNING THE ALLEGED INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. POWS AS OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH ONE OF TEXT ABOVE, SOURCE WAS VERY GENERAL AND NON-SPECIFIC AND APPARENTLY DID NOT POSSESS EXACT DETAILS. HOWEVER, CONCERNING THE ALLEGED TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY ABOUT THE PATRIOT MISSILE TO THE POEPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) SOURCE WAS VERY SPECIFIC AND HINTED THAT HE POSSESSED ADDITIONAL INSIDE KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE ENTIRE DEAL. HE REFUSED TO PROVIDE THIS ADDITIONAL "INSIDE" INFORMATION TO RO.

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